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DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE

August 29, 1979

Mr. Herbert Hetu
Director of Public Relations
Central Intelligence Agency
Washington, D.C. 20505

Dear Mr. Hetu:

I am writing you at the suggestion of Mr. Donald Huefner of the Association of Former Intelligence Officers (AFIO). I am an Assistant Professor of Political Science and International Relations at Canisius College, Buffalo, New York. I am a member of AFIO, and recently spent several hours with Mr. Huefner discussing the role, work, and future of that organization. During the discussion he mentioned you as the individual to contact regarding several requests I have.

I periodically teach a course on the intelligence community which is extremely popular among students here. They are interested in the activities of the Agency and many have expressed an interest in careers in intelligence. Several have applied for positions. In early October (3rd - 6th), I will be accompanying a group of seniors to Washington. The purpose of the trip is to gain a greater appreciation of how and why foreign policy is made. A secondary reason for the trip is to acquaint them with career employment opportunities. Most of these students have taken my course and are familiar with the various components of the intelligence community and the CIA. They have expressed an interest in hearing from and talking with a representative of the Agency. I am aware that public tours and briefings are no longer available. However, this is an opportunity for the Agency to contact a group of highly motivated, intelligent, and patriotic young men and women. I believe some sort of contact would be mutually beneficial. Would such a meeting be possible? Naturally, we would like very much to have it at your Headquarters in Langley, but an alternative location would certainly be satisfactory.

? A second request concerns my need for course material. Don Huefner mentioned a Fact Book that might prove useful, and I would like to be placed on any distribution list you might maintain. To my knowledge, there are not very many college level courses dealing specifically with the intelligence community, and any assistance you can give me will be deeply appreciated.

I would like to mention that my views of the community and Agency's role in our society are quite positive. I have applied on several occasions for

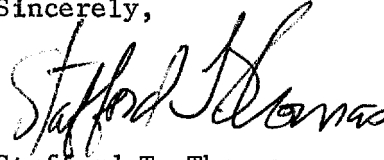
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employment and still remain committed to the notion of a strong and viable foreign intelligence organization. I believe the attitude of my students reflects my views, and that any effort you can make will be greatly appreciated.

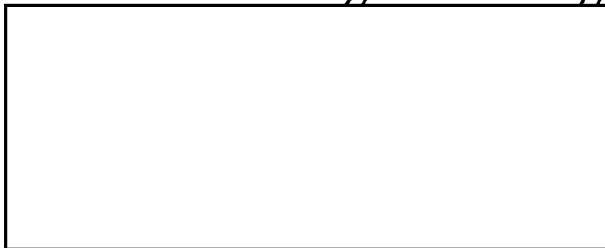
Thank you and I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Stafford T. Thomas".

Stafford T. Thomas
Assistant Professor

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